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1. THE FRG EMBASSY IN KAMPALA HAS SENT THE FOLLOWING REPORT TO THE FOREIGN OFFICE ON "CONCILIATORY GESTURES BY AMIN TOWARD US NATIONALS."

BEGIN TEXT

A. WHEN GOING TO KENYATTA'S FUNERAL, AMIN TOOK 6 WHITE PEOPLE IN THE PRESIDENTIAL PLANE TO NAIROBI, AMONG THEM THE US CITIZEN JULIEN DASHIELL, A CALTEX' MANAGER. A FEW DAYS LATER AMIN GAVE A RECEPTION TO MEMBERS OF THE BRITISH AND THE US COMMUNITY IN UGANDA AS PART OF THE IDD EL FITR CELEBRATIONS.

AS MR. DASHIELL REPORTED, AMIN TOLD HIM THAT IN HIS VIEW THE UNITED STATES WOULD NOT INTRODUCE A TRADE BOYCOTT IF THE US GOVERNMENT OBJECTIVELY ASSESSED THE PRESENT SITUATION IN UGANDA. UGANDA, HOWEVER, COULD SELL ITS COFFEE ELSEWHERE.

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AMIN REITERATED THAT HE APPRECIATED THE WORK DONE BY US NATIONALS IN UGANDA.

B. THIS INFORMATION CONFIRMS THE EMBASSY'S IMPRESSION THAT AMIN DOES AT PRESENT NOT CONTEMPLATE ANY RETALIATORY ACTION AGAINST US COMMUNITY, AS EXPLAINED IN THE EMBASSY'S LATEST ASSESSMENT. FROEWIS.

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END TEXT

2. EMBASSY'S SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT REFERRED TO IN 1.B.
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